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Governor releases proposed budget for SIU

Scholarship program is out, health care for staff to stay

Barton Lorimor
DAILY EGYPTIAN

A scholarship program named after a former SIU president is one of the budget cuts outlined in Gov. Rod Blagojevich's proposed spending plan.

The Dr. James E. Walker Presidential Fellowship, a scholarship given to graduate and professional students studying law or medicine at SIUC, has been excluded from Blagojevich's proposed budget for fiscal year 2009, which begins May 1. Additional SIU cuts included a

tutoring program in Carbondale and Edwardsville for minority students, and the funds for the completed renovation of cabins at Touch of Nature.

The budget was distributed an hour before Blagojevich's State of the State address, a speech given every February by the governor to state legislators about the proposed spending plan for the next fiscal year.

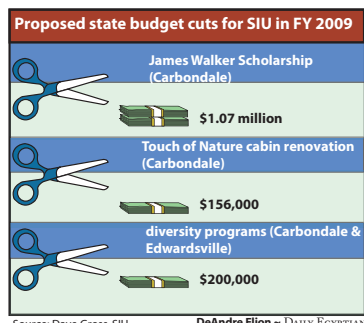
According to the university's Web site, students obtaining the scholarship re-apply every year to receive between \$1,200 and \$1,500 each month during two semesters. The state's 2007 fiscal year budget was the first to include the \$1 million scholarship after Walker died of prostate cancer in February 2006, weeks before that year's State of the State speech.

"It's such an important thing

for our campus because it helps a lot of these young people on their way to professional degrees," said SIU President Glenn Poshard. "We have to do our best to try to restore that."

SIU spokesman Dave Gross said he was surprised Blagojevich decided to continue providing health care for university employees, which he said is a large expense. The benefits may have been saved as a part of the governor's proposal to provide health care for everyone in Illinois.

Poshard said the governor is proposing a "flat" budget for SIU, which means there will not be an increase in funds. As a result, Poshard said this will put pressure on the university to comply with a faculty contract approved one year ago, which was written assuming the state would increase its financial support by 2 percent each year.



Still, Poshard said not having health care at all would have put SIU in a worse position.

"At least we can take that and the pension system off the table of being cut," he said.

The only increase in funds SIU could receive from the state would be an approved Capital Construction Plan, which would

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Southern Illinois lawmakers not impressed

Barton Lorimor
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Many proposals to fix the state's budget from Gov. Rod Blagojevich are temporary, southern Illinois lawmakers said Wednesday.

Blagojevich delivered his sixth State of the State address to the same Illinois General Assembly that has ridiculed him on multiple occasions for overstepping his executive privileges. The governor's speech was meant to outline his proposed budget for fiscal year 2009, which begins May 1.

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Students support housing inspection program

USG speaks out against negligent landlords

Allison Petty
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Dave Loftus held up a picture of his bathroom. A 6-foot-tall hole gaped in the wall next to the toilet.

Loftus, an Undergraduate Student Government senator representing the West Side of Carbondale, submitted a resolution in support of Carbondale's mandatory housing inspection program. The organization approved the resolution, as well as four others, at its Wednesday night meeting.

"This is a problem in Carbondale," Loftus said. "The reason I took this up is because I know what people are going through."

Loftus showed the senators other photos of dilapidated conditions in his building and said he had spoken to many students who expressed similar concerns.

The DAILY EGYPTIAN reported Nov. 8 that the City Council voted in favor of amending Titles Four and Five of the Carbondale City Code, which will require property managers to pay a \$35 fee per rental unit each year. The allocated funds are meant to pay the salaries of existing and future property inspectors. Fees are due to the city by Jan. 1, 2009, in time for the 2009 fiscal year budget, which begins the following May.

Title Four requires an inspection of rental properties every three years by city officials. If a property fails to comply with any code, a landlord is charged \$50 for each unit requiring re-inspection. Previously, the initial



Senators Dana Augusto, left, and Jennifer Arteaga view a photograph depicting the interior of a dilapidated Carbondale residence during the USG meeting Wednesday night. USG passed a resolution in support of Carbondale's mandatory housing inspection program. **JAMES DURBIN** DAILY EGYPTIAN

inspection came without cost, but a report from the Building and Neighborhood Services Department said the building inspector staff would have to be expanded to keep up with workloads.

Though the city had already taken action to increase the number of housing inspections, Loftus said he hoped his resolution would draw attention to the issue.

"It's going to say, 'Hey, there's

still a problem, and these mandatory inspections are needed," Loftus said.

USG President Demetrous White said he thought the resolution was the most important of five passed by the organization during its two-hour meeting.

"We are part of this community and so we have to stand up because those are students living in those buildings," White said. "Students

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— Dave Loftus
USG senator

are renting these apartments from slumlords and we have to take a stand against that."

White said he would sign the resolution and forward it to city

administrators.

Additionally, a 60 cent per semester increase in the campus recreation

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The men in black and white share their sides.

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Potholes turn Carbondale into a holey haven

Damages caused by pothole problems rise after recent ice storm

Lindsey Smith
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Any vehicle that survived the icy slip and slide from last week's ice storm now faces a new foe.

The cycle of freezing and thawing because of recent temperature fluctuation has left roads littered with potholes, testing tires and tempers throughout Carbondale streets.

Potholes generally form when water seeps into pavement and freezes, then thaws and expands the hole, said Carbondale Maintenance and Environmental Services Manager Sean Henry. The city treats the holes as if they are normal obstacles of the road, meaning the city will not pay for vehicle damage caused by the holes.

Damages to a vehicle could be expensive depending on the impact of the hit as well as the depth of the hole. Bob Finster of Dave's Auto Repairs in Carbondale said the cost of repairs could be near \$2,000 for repairs to the front end alone.

Cars that ride low to the ground face the risk of more damage, he said.

Hitting a pothole can break the vehicle's control arms, damage its struts, throw off its front alignment or possibly knock off its tire.

Kelsey Skinner, a freshman from Streator studying architecture, said citizens should be able to file claims against the city because road maintenance is the city's responsibility.

Skinner said suggestions that drivers simply go around the depressions are often unrealistic.

"You can't swerve if there's a car in the other lane," she said.

Carbondale has its patch trucks out as often as the weather allows, said Carbondale City Councilman Joel Fritzler.

"It just takes time for them to get filled," he said. "It's a constant struggle to keep

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— Joel Fritzler
Carbondale city councilman

up."

It does not seem as though simply filling a break in the road would take long, but there is a four-step process to the repairs, Henry said.

The cavity must first be cleaned with compressed air. A torch is then



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Traffic on Mill Street navigates around a series of potholes on Wednesday. Potholes have become more prevalent following last week's ice storm.

brought in to heat the hole before a type of asphalt material designed specifically for the patching of potholes, called cold patch, is poured. The final step consists of tapering the excess asphalt.

The first filling is just the beginning. Often while new

potholes are popping up, the old ones are breaking down. Henry said the search for the holes could be called a community effort.

"We get calls from the general public," he said. "City departments such as the police report them. We also have staff that go out looking

for them."

Problems with potholes can be reported to the Carbondale's Maintenance and Environmental Service at 457-3275.

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HAWAII

Soldier guilty of assault in Iraqi death

WHEELER ARMY AIRFIELD, Hawaii (AP) — A soldier who had been charged with murder in the shooting death of an unarmed Iraqi was convicted by a military jury Wednesday of aggravated assault.

Spc. Christopher Shore, based in Hawaii, had insisted that his platoon leader ordered him to kill the Iraqi man on June 23 near Kirkuk and that he intentionally fired to miss.

Aggravated assault carries a maximum of eight years in prison, a dishonorable discharge and a drop to the Army's lowest pay grade. Sentencing was set for later Wednesday.

Shore had no visible reaction inside. He declined to comment after the verdict and hugged friends and relatives outside the hearing room.

Capt. James Leary, the prosecutor in the soldier's court-martial, had argued that duress was not a defense for murder, pointing to witness testimony that the victim was talking and moving before Shore fired his weapon.

Although Shore may not have wanted to hurt the victim, Leary said, the decision to fire two shots at him was itself illegal.

ENGLAND

Islamic leader appeals extradition

LONDON (AP) — An Islamic preacher accused of trying to establish a terrorist training camp in Oregon asked a British court Wednesday to block his extradition to the United States.

Earlier this month, Britain's Home Office approved the extradition of Abu Hamza al-Masri, who once led London's Finsbury Park Mosque.

British counterterrorism officials say the mosque has attracted extremists. Its worshippers have included Sept. 11 conspirator Zacarias Moussaoui and "shoe bomber" Richard Reid.

On Wednesday, al-Masri's lawyer, Muddassar Arani, filed an appeal in Britain's High Court. British courts should be allowed to examine the evidence in the U.S. case against her client before an extradition, she said.

The Egyptian-born al-Masri was arrested in Britain on an extradition warrant in 2004, but the process was put on hold while he stood trial here and appealed his convictions.

He was sentenced to seven years in prison for fomenting racial hatred and urging his followers to kill non-Muslims. If convicted in the United States, Al-Masri would carry out his sentence in Britain first.

PAKISTAN

Religious hard-liners out in Pakistan

PESHAWAR, Pakistan (AP) — Fed up with violence and economic hardship, voters in the deeply conservative northwest have thrown out the Islamist parties that ruled this province for five years — a clear sign that Pakistanis are rejecting religious extremism in a region where al-Qaida and the Taliban have sought refuge.

Instead, voters in turbulent North West Frontier Province, which borders Afghanistan, gave their support to secular parties that promised to pave the streets, create jobs and bring peace through dialogue and economic incentives to the extremists.

That may conflict with U.S. pressure to step up the fight against armed militants linked to al-Qaida and the Taliban.

"They didn't do anything for the people," Bokhari Shah, 65, said of the religious parties. "They have done nothing to help the people, and we are afraid to even come out from our homes because of all these bomb blasts."

Five years ago, voters in this mostly Pashtun province — many of them from the same ethnic group as the Afghan Taliban — set off alarm bells in the United States when they elected a provincial government dominated by a coalition of pro-Taliban clerics — the United Action Alliance.

The alliance rode to victory on the crest of public outrage over the U.S. invasion of Afghanistan, not only winning control of the North West Frontier but taking 12 percent of the vote in national parliament balloting as well.

Texas rules may favor Obama



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Thousands of Barack Obama supporters stand in line to hear the presidential candidate speak at a political rally at Reunion Arena in Dallas Wednesday.

Nedra Pickler and Beth Fouhy

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

DALLAS — Hillary Rodham Clinton has been waiting to get to Texas to begin her comeback against a surging Barack Obama. She might be more careful about what she wishes for. Clinton has been banking on the state's large Hispanic population — typically about a quarter of the turnout in Democratic primaries — to give her a victory on March 4.

But the Democratic Party in President Bush's home state has a complicated, hybrid primary-caucus that might just be better suited for Obama.

"I had no idea how bizarre it is," Clinton told reporters this week. "We have grown men crying over it."

Unlike other states that allocate delegates by congressional districts, Texas distributes 126 of its delegates among its 31 state Senate districts using a formula based on Democratic

voter turnout in the 2004 and 2006 general elections. The 31 districts contain from two to eight delegates.

The March 4 primary vote in each Senate district will allocate that district's delegates.

The turnout formula has assigned more delegates to urban centers with a lot of young or black voters that tend to favor Obama and fewer delegates to poorer Hispanic areas expected to favor Clinton. Austin, which includes the University of Texas, gets eight; Houston gets seven and Dallas gets six.

Clinton has spent most of her time so far in the southern, largely Hispanic part of the state. She has made two trips to Hidalgo County, where the Senate district awards just four delegates. She has

left the rest of the state to her husband, former President Bill Clinton, who appeared in a dozen cities over the last week in East and West Texas.

But her state director, Ace Smith, said she would travel throughout the state before the primary.

"There are some districts in Austin and Houston he'll do well in that have a lot of delegates. But there are a heck of a lot of other districts that have less delegates we'll do extremely well in," Smith said. "If we run a really strong race in Texas, the delegates are going to take care of themselves."

"We'll be everywhere," he said. Obama organizer Steve Hildebrand said Obama's momentum and demonstrated ability to win

more voters than Clinton will prove more important than the state rules.

"In a majority of the states across the country, Hillary Clinton's candidacy and message has not caught on with voters," he said. "I'm not sure why she thinks voters in Texas and Ohio are all the sudden going to rise to her message. She's not about change; she's not about the future."

Hildebrand said the more people in Texas learn about Obama, the better he should do. He said Obama only got paid staff into Texas a couple weeks ago but now has over 200 people working in about 22 offices.

Another 67 of Texas' 228 delegates to the party's national convention will be awarded based on attendance at precinct caucuses — Texas calls them conventions — which begin 15 minutes after primary polls close at 7 p.m. on March 4. Finally, the state has 35 superdelegates — Democratic officeholders and party officials — are not bound by any of this voting.

Group claims Iran speeding up nuke plans

Raf Casert

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

BRUSSELS, Belgium — An exiled Iranian opposition group claimed Wednesday that Tehran was speeding up a program to develop nuclear weapons. "The Iran regime entered a new phase in its nuclear project," said Mohammad Mohaddessin of the Paris-based National Council of Resistance of Iran.

The NCRI is the political wing of the People's Mujahedeen of Iran, which advocates the overthrow of government in Tehran. The Mujahedeen has been designated a terrorist group by the United States and the European Union as well as Iran.

Mohaddessin claimed that Tehran has established a command and research center near a Tehran university. And, he said, Iran is developing a nuclear warhead for use on medium-range missiles at a site on the southeast edge of Tehran. Mohaddessin also claimed that the regime obtained aid from North Korea.

It was not possible to independently verify the NCRI claims. Mohaddessin said his group got the information from "hundreds" of reports and sources

from within the Iranian regime, whom he did not name. He said some of the sources are within the nuclear project itself.

An official of the International Atomic Energy Agency, who spoke anonymously because he was not authorized to talk to the media, said the agency was aware of the allegations. Mohaddessin said he had provided information to the IAEA on Tuesday.

Iran has steadfastly denied it is working to obtain a nuclear bomb, arguing that its nuclear program is civilian.

A recent U.S. National Intelligence Estimate said Iran halted a nuclear weapons development program in 2003 because of international pressure. But the White House said Iran continues to hide information, remains in violation of two U.N. Security Council resolutions, tests ballistic missiles and is enriching uranium, which can be used to build an atomic bomb.

Four years ago, the group disclosed information about two hidden nuclear sites in Iran. But much of the information it has presented since to support claims of a secret weapons program has not been publicly verified.

Safety issues finally settled for shootdown

Robert Burns

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — The Pentagon counted down Wednesday toward an unprecedented effort to shoot down a dying and potentially deadly U.S. spy satellite, using a souped-up missile fired from a ship in the Pacific.

The timing was tricky. For the best chance to succeed, the military awaited a combination of favorable factors: steady seas around the Navy cruiser that would fire the missile, optimum positioning of the satellite as it passed in polar orbit and the readiness of an array of space- and ground-based sensors to help cue the missile and track the results.

The operation was so extraordinary, with such intense international publicity and political ramifications, that Defense Secretary Robert Gates — not a military commander — was to make the final decision to pull the trigger.

The government organized hazardous materials teams, under the code name "Burnt Frost," to be flown to the site of any dangerous or otherwise sensitive debris

that might land in the United States or elsewhere.

Also, six federal response groups that are positioned across the country by the Federal Emergency Management Agency have been alerted but not activated, FEMA spokesman James McIntyre said. "These are purely precautionary and preparedness actions only," he said.

High seas in the north Pacific posed the first obstacle as the USS Lake Erie prepared to launch a three-stage missile. Beyond a certain point, rough seas can interfere with the cruiser's launch procedures.

The plan was for the SM-3 to soar 130 miles to just beyond the edge of the Earth's atmosphere in an attempt to speed its non-explosive warhead directly into the satellite.

Early in the day, a senior military officer said it didn't look as if the weather would be good enough. That was shortly after the space shuttle Atlantis landed at 9:07 a.m. EST, removing the last safety issue for the military to begin determining the best moment for launch.

Students pack ballrooms in pursuit of careers

Students look toward future at All-Majors Job Fair

Luke McCormick
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Students usually clad in hooded sweatshirts and jeans traded up to formal business attire Wednesday in the Student Center Ballrooms.

Hundreds of students paced the ballroom floors offering handshakes and résumés in hope of making contacts that might lead to a post-graduate career.

The ballrooms were host to the All-Majors Job Fair held by SIUC Career Services. The Job Fair was attended by nearly 100 organizations ranging from the Marines to Family Video.

The first quality most organizations said they noticed about students is whether they are professionally dressed and confident. Other attributes of importance to potential employers included multi-tasking and past employment.

"We are looking for students from all majors that are personable and have self-confidence," said Latoya Doggan, human resources representative and operations recruiter for State Farm Insurance.

Many of the organizations represented Wednesday said the positions they were searching for were open to students of all majors.

Judith D. Bartels, district manager for Social Security Administration, has a student with a degree in zoology working in her branch. The job deals with public relations and determining Social Security eligibility.

"We are wide open to all majors, as long as the students are analytical and have great people skills,"



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Corinne Schaidle, a senior majoring in plant and soil science, looks over booths during the All-Majors Job Fair Wednesday at the Student Center.

Bartels said.

Not all the organizations at the Job Fair were offering employment opportunities, though.

The University of Missouri's Health Management and Informatics Department was offering information on pursuing a master's degree at its institution in Medical Health Management and Informatics.

Adrienne Vogt, a student recruitment coordinator for the program, said they also considered

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— Judith D. Bartels
district manager for Social Security Administration

students from a wide variety of majors.

"We are offering the opportunity to pursue a higher education, to make the student more marketable when they enter the job market,"

Vogt said.

The representatives attending the Job Fair were doing some mingling of their own, but not just with students. Contacts were being made throughout the day

as representatives exchanged business cards.

Eric Birky, a junior from Bloomington studying marketing, said that the event was a great chance to get his name and credentials out to multiple companies.

"I made a bunch of contacts and didn't even have to leave campus," Birky said.

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THE DUKE REPORT

Alien vampires and the Apocalypse

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Yesterday, hoping to find something intellectually stimulating to cure my boredom, I, like most good Americans, turned on my TV. I thought to myself, "I'll watch something educational, like the Discovery or History Channel," thinking surely they would have engaging and thought-provoking material.

And what did I find? Not even "Cash Cab."

I started to question whether or not I was in an episode of the "Twilight Zone." On the Discovery Channel, there was an hour-long documentary on alien vampires. On the History Channel there was an hour-long documentary on Bigfoot's cousin, Big Bird (seriously, a supposed giant bird). What has happened to the once lone beacons of

intelligent programming?

I am a self-confessed Discovery and History Channel fanatic. But their programming has significantly changed, both in subject and content. Let me first be clear, I love "Mythbusters," and I do see some programs on these channels I enjoy. However, in the past few years I have noticed the appearance of two specific and vile types of the programming: Make believe and apocalypse-vision.

Make-believe programming is where we get alien vampires and Big Bird. The formula is simple. Strange alien, ghost or monster-related event followed by large-bearded "experts" who get refuted by other less-bearded "experts" ending with a Saturday morning "Who do you believe?" cliffhanger.

To all you network executives, I don't know what it is, but how high to you have to be to think that this is good programming for your channel?

Sure, it probably does boost your ratings. I am very aware that at least one-third of all people watching "How It's Made" on the History Channel are stoned.

But you are destroying your networks' integrity, and putting out only the same ratings-obsessed, vapid commercial drivel that spawned a market for your channels in the first place.

At the end of the day, it's not even the fact that you do shows on UFOs or ghosts — it is how bad those shows are. They are flashy, ridiculously packaged and altogether bad journalism, history or whatever you want to call it. Why not do serious

programs interviewing members of the National Disclosure?

Project a very real group of NASA scientists, pilots and high-ranking military and defense

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officials that has publicly stated we have been visited by extraterrestrials and the U.S. government is covering it up and has been doing so for a long time. By all means, do a show on aliens, but enough with these cartoon programs and bearded guys.

The current fascination with the Apocalypse is, by far, the worst. Every other week, I am bombarded with commercials that enrage me. "Gamma Radiation could microwave the Earth at

any time without notice," or "A computer program has predicted the world will end in 2012." Would you people please stop, cease and desist.

Be it from Nostradamus, some Mayan calendar, or Optimus Prime, I do not care when you think the world will end. First, this programming is just as mind-numbing and flashy as your UFO shows. Second, if we are all going to die in some inescapable global catastrophe, it is entirely unproductive and unnecessary to freak out over what's inevitable (death) and if it happens, be glad you get to see it. Finally, your networks should be held liable for how many nervous breakdowns have been caused by the endless array of end-of-the-world shows.

So please, network executives, put the discovery back in Discovery Channel and put the history back in History Channel.

O'Connor is a junior studying political science

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"If you want to call it 'significant undercounting,' I guess that's the euphemism for fraud."

Michael Bloomberg
New York City mayor

commenting on initial reports that Barack Obama did not get a single vote in 80 districts

STUDENT COLUMN

Clean coal’s false promises

Chris Klarer
GUEST COLUMNIST

While Illinois politicians cry foul over the Department of Energy’s “deceptive” cancellation of the nearly \$2 billion FutureGen project, and scurry to circumvent the department’s decision to withdraw federal funding from the project’s ballooning budget, they have effectively limited the debate over whether FutureGen is really in our economic best interest. The resounding message is the “clean coal” pipe dream. Even in the minds of government officials whose life’s work is to handle our national energy policy, is not economically viable.

Even in the wake of all this, our administration is considering going down the same economically risky road.

Indeed, much of southern Illinois is rural, poverty stricken and starving for some sort of economic revitalization, but our legislators and university officials are doing us a disservice by proposing coal as any part of

the long-term solution to our problems. For some, this might be a tough pill to swallow since so much of southern Illinois’ cultural identity comes from its days as a major coal-mining region and is still populated by many sons and daughters of proud, hardworking coal miners.

The truth of the matter is Illinois needs a new vision and a new cultural identity for a new generation that has come to learn how destructive each phase of coal’s life cycle is, but also respects and pays homage to the workers who made that industry prosper and are needed more than ever to create a new vision of southern Illinois.

This vision, one of an economy that ensures dignified jobs that are good for workers and respectful to our environment, is the only

option we have. It’s believed by most of the world’s respected scientists, including NASA’s chief climatologist James Hansen, that to avoid the worst affects of global warming, we must reduce our carbon emissions by at least

80 percent by 2050. This will take more than an easy fix like sticking emissions from coal plants underground and praying they don’t leak out any time soon. To meet the challenge posed by global warming, the entire U.S. economy must switch from a carbon economy to a green economy.

We stand at the dawning of a new economy where countless new working class jobs will be necessary to make the massive transition. The only question is,

will Illinois take advantage of the coming race for clean renewable energy technology, or will we let the coal industry convince us to drag our heels with expensive, risky projects like FutureGen?

We southern Illinoisans think we’re getting a gift, but really we’re about to get a big lump of coal.

If Illinois lawmakers really cared about the welfare of working class Illinoisans, they’d be offering tax incentives to encourage investment in green industry and seeking federal funding to help them flourish in Illinois.

Coal and oil are dinosaurs (pun intended). Wind and solar power and energy efficiency are the up and coming industries of the 21st century. All y’all sittin’ in Anthony Hall, and your friends in Springfield, need to do the right thing ‘cause there’s a movement building and it’s not “out there.” It’s here on campus.

We are the future, and coal is over.

Chris Klarer is a senior majoring in art.

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IN THE LIGHT

Who turned out the lights?

COLLEEN LINDSAY

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The weatherman said it was the “storm this generation has never seen.” I don’t know if I would be so melodramatic, but it was a catastrophe for those of us living in the country.

The ice and snow of last week put my family out of power for three straight days, which was why I didn’t have an article in last week’s paper. With no computer, how can you type up and e-mail an article?

We were some of the lucky ones with a wood burner and gas stove so we had heat and food. What more could you want? As much as this storm caught us by surprise, it also helped communities and families pull together to help each other out.

On the first day of the storm, my dad got out in our 4X4 S10

and sawed up the limbs that had fallen over the road. Several of our friends who lived south of us borrowed propane heaters from other family members. Families moved in with others who had heat. In my family alone, I think there were three propane heaters passed out to relatives.

I could stand not having power. We lived by flashlights, kerosene lamps and lanterns. But, I couldn’t stand not having hot water. For two nights in a row I packed a duffel bag and trudged over to Granny’s. I spent about an hour at their house, while the cat and dog eyed me suspiciously. The dog spent the first night barking and growling at me. I didn’t know I

was so scary. The next night, he tried to sniff out who I was, all the time watching for any sudden moves toward my grandparents.

With a towel around my wet head, Dad and I traveled home in our 4X4. On the first night, we ran into an Ameren crew working on the power for Creal Springs. I don’t think those guys from Springfield had ever seen a toweled head before; at least they looked at me funny. On the next night, again, Dad stopped and talked to a power crew from our company, Southeastern.

The communities pulled together to house people who were without power. Several schools were used as temporary housing for those out of a warm home. A classmate of mine was staying in a gymnasium while the

The weatherman said it was the “storm this generation has never seen.”

power company continued to fix her electricity problems.

I heard about some people who didn’t lose power at all, which is one thing you never tell a person who has lived in the dark for three days. Others are, as I write, still waiting for power to come on. In the backwoods, power crews are working to fix one of the biggest power outages I have ever lived through.

This poses some interesting realities about living without and making due. It is now being suggested by some “higher powers” that we take preparedness into our own hands instead of relying on a power company. Propane heaters, generators and gas stoves help keep people warm in winter emergencies. I don’t know when another “storm this generation has never seen” will hit again. But I hope our communities will be prepared.

Lindsay is a senior studying journalism.

A MESSAGE FROM THE VOICES DESK

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Students celebrate better health

Maria Capati
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Healthy students typically get better grades, have higher self-esteem, create better relationships and are more likely to finish their education, said the Recreation Center's assistant director of recreational programs, Sally Wright.

Wednesday was National Recreational and Fitness Day, a day to celebrate and focus on fitness and wellness, Wright said. She said the celebration was originated by National Intramural-Recreational Sports Association to promote healthy lifestyles through intramural and recreational sports.

A variety of activities, such as a beanbag toss competition, free five-minute massages and fitness classes were offered to students Wednesday as part of the celebration.

Gaby Farache, an undecided freshman from Edwardsville, said she has never had a massage before and seeing that it was free caught her attention.

"The massage felt really nice — it was five minutes in heaven," Farache said.

Getting the students involved in sports and healthy activities benefits not just the body, but overall health, Wright said. Students were offered free blood pressure and glucose screenings as well as an opportunity to ask a personal trainer questions.

Maisha Jackson, a graduate student from Carbondale studying early childhood education, said having a certified trainer explain what she is doing wrong during her workouts was helpful.

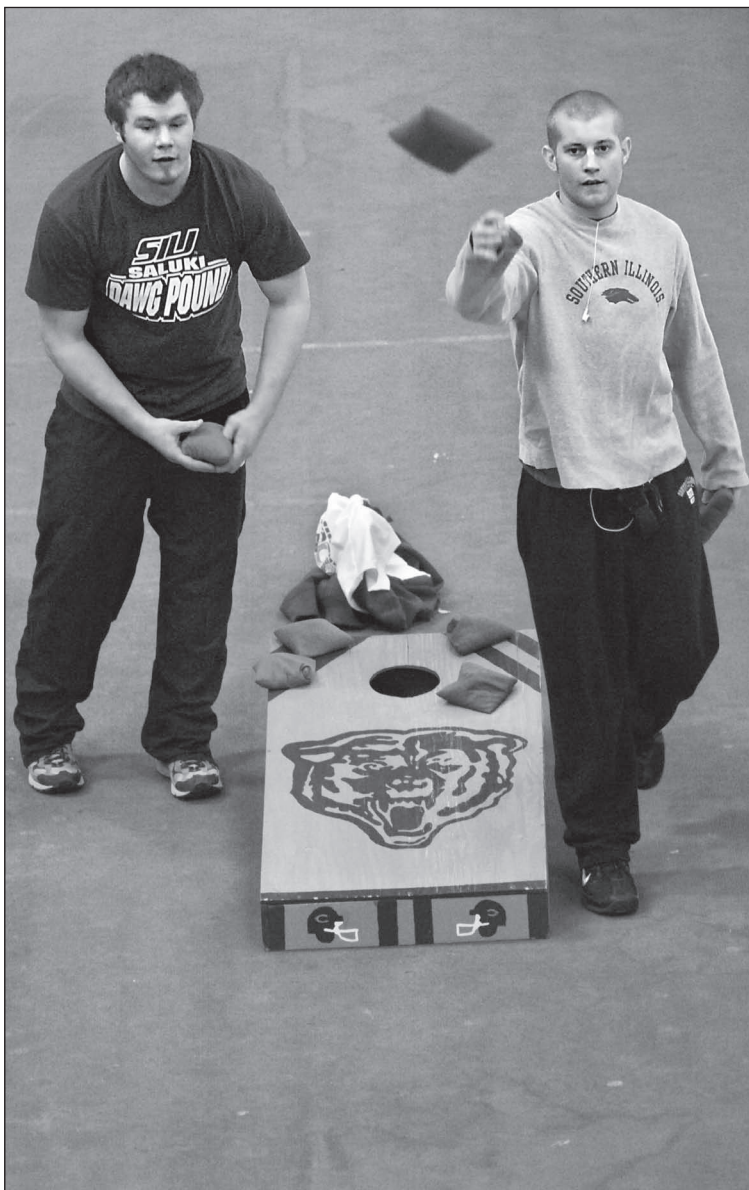
"I didn't know what my heart rate should have been when I'm exercising," Jackson said. "Now I know what it is supposed to be to get the full and proper workout that I need."

Christy Hamilton, coordinator of sexual health, relationship violence and sexual assault programs, said collaborating with the Recreation Center is necessary because students should know that a healthy body and a healthy mind go hand in hand.

"All dimensions of health are important," Hamilton said.

The fitness day was also an opportunity for the Recreation Center to promote one of its spring programs, the Healthy U Incentive program.

Lynn Thompson-Cundiff, assistant director of fitness, said Healthy U is an eight-week-long program



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Jason Heckler, left, a junior from Shorewood studying automotive technology, and Mike Smania, a sophomore from Minooka studying secondary education, play a game of bags Wednesday at the Recreation Center during the National Recreational and Fitness Day, which was designed to bring awareness to the benefits of recreational sports, fitness and wellness.

that encourages students to take part in health and fitness activities. She said this is the second year the program would be offered. Fifty students participated last year, she said.

Students can sign up at the Lifestyle Enhancement Center for a \$5 fee, Thompson-Cundiff said. The program kicks off next week and students receive a prize just for signing up.

Participants can earn Healthy U dollars by participating in challenges and attending educational programs offered by the Wellness Center. Participants are put in a listserv where students get weekly e-mails about the upcoming challenges, the

name of the winner from the previous week and the winner's prize. She said students should check out the Recreation Center's Web site for more information at <http://www.siu.edu/~oirs>.

Thompson-Cundiff said Healthy U was created to help students commit to a healthy lifestyle and to give a little push to those who need help getting started.

"If we can help just one student have a healthier and happier life, then this is what the program is about," Thompson-Cundiff said.

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provide the system \$175 million for construction and renovation projects. Gross said the budget includes an inflator, which guarantees SIU appropriate funds for its proposed projects as construction costs continue to rise.

Gross said the governor included all of SIU's construction projects in the bill such as a new Transportation Education Building and completed renovation of Morris Library. The bill is awaiting action from the Illinois House of Representatives before Blagojevich can release the money.

Poshard said Blagojevich contacted him after Wednesday's speech to

discuss new ways to allocate money that would support the bill.

Seymour Bryson, associate chancellor for diversity, said he would need to know more in order to know what affects a \$200,000 budget cut would have on the Center for Academic Success, which offers mentors and tutors for minority students.

Gross said the state also cut \$156,000 from the university's budget, which was added last year to renovate cabins at Touch of Nature. Gross said the job was complete, which is why he is not surprised the funds are discontinued.

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REACTION

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The governor's topics ranged from growing up in Chicago to cuts affecting nearly every state agency while proposing new programs.

"He said everything that you're supposed to say, which is nothing," said State Rep. Mike Bost, R-Carbondale.

The governor pitched proposals such as giving \$300 in tax credits for each child in a family in response to the current state of the national economy, offered health care to everyone in Illinois, and urged lawmakers to finally approve the Capital Construction Plan — a grouping of bills to provide state funds for construction and infrastructure projects.

In southern Illinois, the plan would provide money for a new high school in Du Quoin, repairs to bridges crossing the Mississippi River, and new facilities at SIU's campuses in Carbondale, Edwardsville and Springfield.

Blagojevich said the state should sell its lottery program to private investors, and use those profits on the capital plan — which calls for \$9 billion in state funds.

State Sen. David Luechtefeld, R-Okawville, said selling the lottery would provide the state a one-time money source, but terminate \$700 million each year after. But Blagojevich said using profits from the lottery sale would pass through the legislature easier than a gambling expansion, which would make Illinois more dependable on gaming as a revenue source than any other state.

At the end of his speech, Blagojevich said he wanted to cut 3 percent from nearly all state agen-

“He said everything that you’re supposed to say, which is nothing.”

— Mike Bost
state rep., R-Carbondale

cy's spending plans, and cut more "pork" spending in order to pay for it all. Blagojevich said the cuts will be challenging, but manageable.

"What he needs to do if he wants to save money is quit starting new programs," Luechtefeld said. "He wants a lot of new health care programs that are extremely expensive."

State Sen. Gary Forby, D-Benton, said he liked the governor's proposal of issuing each family \$300 per child in tax credits to help at a time when the economy is not stable. Yet Forby said he also wondered how Blagojevich's proposals could be financially supported.

Unlike previous years, Blagojevich did not provide any hint of what his speech would discuss. State Rep. Mike Bost, R-Carbondale, said he did not get a copy of the speech or proposed budget for fiscal year 2009 until an hour before the governor began. The secrecy is the first of its kind since former Gov. Dan Walker did the same in 1973.

"There were fewer details in this budget address than anyone here has ever heard," Luechtefeld said. "There were a lot of unanswered questions."

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400 W. Oak #1,3
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511 N. Oakland
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507 S. Poplar 1,3,4,5,6,7
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ABOVE: Referee Don Daily holds up his hands to explain a call on the court during the SIU vs. Indiana State game Feb. 5 at the SIU Arena.

BELOW: NCAA referees Don Daily, left, Verne Harris and Kipp Kissinger huddle before the start of the game.



THE WHISTLE BLOWER

Story by Jeff Engelhardt • Photos by DuVale Riley

A trip inside the mind of the men in striped shirts

Basketball fans often worry about the opposing superstar guard, hot shooter and dominant center, but only a tiny silver object can inject unadulterated fear into the hearts of the home crowd — the whistle.

The crowd never knows if the referee will use the whistle to destroy its team's chance of winning the game or use it to help the teams cause.

For referee Verne Harris, the fan's perspective and the official's perspective contrast as much as the stripes on his uniform. "We just call them like we see them," he said.

Harris officiated the SIU men's basketball team's Feb. 5 game against Indiana State with Kipp Kissinger and Don Daily. The crew has been officiating for 10 years in all NCAA conferences for men's basketball.

Daily said the game looks different when calls have to be made as opposed to sitting in the stands. The crew usually divides the court into three sections with each official being responsible for his respective side.

Kissinger, the youngest official of the three, said refereeing is like any other job

and requires practice, but the transition from watching as a fan to watching as an official takes time to get used to.

The crowd's reaction is one thing that an official can't take time to adjust to. After any perceived bad call by a referee, the fans could unleash their vocal wrath on the officials.

Daily said he learned quickly to tune it out.

"They are not yelling at me personally, they are yelling at the striped shirt," Daily said. "They are attacking the job. Once you get that realization, then things are a lot easier and you don't even hear it."

Daily said every referee has a learning curve and younger officials are tentative because they do not have the respect of the coaches and may be more prone to missed calls.

Officials get past that stage quickly

though, Kissinger said, since they often referee three games a week. The hectic schedule keeps them on the go throughout the week, Daily said.

"You're at the mercy of the airlines, but it's just something you have to get used to," he said.

After the Salukis' game against Indiana State, Harris had only a few hours to rest before he had to get up at 4 a.m. to get on a plane. Harris handles games in the Midwest and the West, so his flights are usually not long but still frequent.

Despite the hurried pace of their job, referees still have to maintain mental and physical focus while on the court. Officials usually warm up before a game and stretch to get ready for 40 minutes of running up and down the court, but Harris said running through airports keeps officials in good condition.

In addition to calling fouls, referees have to make sure the coaches and players understand what is being called and why. Daily said officials never look for confrontation with coaches, but talking with them and players makes the game easier on everyone.

"If coaches are going to come to us with a legitimate question, we're going to give them an answer," Daily said. "They're professional, we're professional and that's how we have to keep that relationship."

— Don Daily
NCAA men's basketball referee

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The focus on calls will often change from game to game depending on the matchup. Referees will talk before the game about certain players and the styles of the teams to have an understanding of what to expect on the floor.

Kissinger said an example could be a team that plays tight man-to-man defense may be allowed some extra contact as long as there is none on a player's drive to the hoop. Kissinger said it is something officials have to adjust to but can still control so the game can be played on an even level without having the officials dictate the pace of the game.

At halftime they usually talk about what transpired over the last half and talk about any calls they may have missed or had questions about. Harris said while officials will make adjustments they never call "make up" calls or try to even the foul count.

"It's not like we say you call fouls on white and I'll call fouls on blue," Harris said. "Often times fouls end close to even because teams switch who will be the aggressor."

Despite nagging from coaches, complaining from the players and heckling from the fans, the referees always show up for the next game. Daily said it's the friendships and camaraderie among officials that keeps him in the business and coming back for another dose of verbal abuse.

But when the hustle and bustle of the season is all over, Harris said there is only one thing he wants to do.

"Absolutely nothing," he said.

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LEFT: Referee Kipp Kissinger explains a call to the scorer's table during the SIU and Indiana State game Feb. 5 at the SIU Arena.



ABOVE: Senior forward Randal Falker, left, talks with referee Kipp Kissinger about a call during the game Feb. 5 at the SIU Arena.



LEFT: Coach Chris Lowery, left, is greeted by referee Verne Harris before the start of the game.

Airman dies as fighter jets collide while training

Melissa Nelson
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

EGLIN AIR FORCE BASE, Fla. — An Air Force fighter pilot died Wednesday after his jet and another likely collided during a training exercise and crashed into the Gulf of Mexico. The other pilot was rescued and is expected to survive.

The single-seat F-15C Eagles crashed Wednesday off the Florida Panhandle, said Col. Todd Harmer, commander of the 33rd Fighter Wing, 58th Fighter Squadron. The pilots had ejected and were later rescued.

The base has suffered a "great loss," Harmer said in an e-mailed statement. He said, "We will continue to do everything we can to assist our families and airmen at this tragic time."

The cause of the collision about 35 miles south of Tyndall Air Force Base was not immediately known, but the Air Force will investigate, Harmer said. Weather in the area was clear.

The exercise emphasized "basic maneuvers and tactics," Harmer said.

A Coast Guard rescue jet located one pilot and radioed the location to a fishing vessel, which picked him up, said Coast Guard Petty Officer

James Harless. A Coast Guard helicopter then hoisted the pilot off the vessel.

That pilot told rescuers he saw the other pilot also eject but lost him in the clouds, Harless said. He told them the approximate location for the second pilot, who was found by a Coast Guard helicopter, Harless said.

Both pilots had been with the wing "for quite some time," Harmer said.

No debris from the jets has been found, Harless said.

The Air Force grounded all of its F-15s — nearly 700 — after the catastrophic failure of an F-15C during a routine training flight in Missouri in November. The pilot safely ejected.

Most were back in service by January, but others were grounded indefinitely after defects were found.

The Air Force began using the F-15C in 1979. The planes, built by McDonnell Douglas Corp., were deployed to the Persian Gulf in 1991 in support of Operation Desert Storm and have since been used in Iraq, Turkey and Bosnia.

The planes can fly as high as 65,000 feet, and each costs about \$30 million, according to the Air Force.

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fee met with the Senate's approval. Jeff Goelz, assistant director of Recreational Sports and Services, said the increase would pay to support the university's 47 sport clubs.

The organization also passed resolutions in support of the formation of a council to develop plans for energy efficiency and conservation; encouraging the SIU-Edwardsville USG to support a nominal price exemption for medical contraceptives on college campuses; and proposing the widening and addition of bike

trails near Poplar, Walnut and Mill streets.

White said he would sign all of the other resolutions passed by the senate.

Todd Sigler, director of the SIUC Police Department, and Rosemary Simmons, director of the Counseling Center, also spoke at the meeting. They distributed information and answered questions about safety on campus in the wake of Thursday's shooting at Northern Illinois University.

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Big Muddy turns 30

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This year marks the 30th year of the Big Muddy Film Festival, a 10-day event that includes a film competition, award-winning documentaries and presentations of films from the United States and abroad.

This year's competition begins

today and runs through March 2. The competition features 78 films in four categories: documentary, narrative, animation and experimental.

"It's for students and by students, and it's for the community, too," said Michael Holder, a sophomore from Carbondale studying film. "It's something that we're doing to give people the opportunity to get their film shown."

The Big Muddy Film Festival was founded in 1978 by Mike Covell, professor emeritus of cinema and photography, and is organized and operated by the Department of Cinema and Photography.

Hong Zhou, faculty adviser for the festival, said Covell has been offering support, encouragement and advice throughout the year to all involved with planning the event. Zhou said he is very thankful for the assistance and expertise Covell has offered.

Planning for the festival began in August 2007 and film submission opened in late September, Zhou said. Approximately 300 films were submitted from over 20 countries.

Of the 300 films entered, 78 films were chosen through a prescreening process conducted by a core group associated with the festival as well as volunteers from the College of Mass Communication and the community. Nineteen of the 78 films chosen as finalists are foreign films; these films will be screened in their original language with English subtitles.

"I'm excited because it's really very rich, very diverse in the content and form for this year's program. I am confident that the audience will be able to find something that they will enjoy," Zhou said.

Three jurors have been selected to judge the competition. The



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Nao Campbell, a senior form Belleville studying business management, break dances for a crowd Tuesday afternoon in the Student Center. The event was a promotion for the upcoming Big Muddy Film Festival, which starts Today and runs through March 3.

jurors, — Naomi Uman, Jonathon Caouette and Usama Alshaibi, are all established filmmakers themselves. In addition to judging the films, they will have their own presentations during the festival.

Another part of the competition is the John Michael's Award, which is presented to the top social justice documentary. The winner of this award is chosen by a panel of social activists from the community and faculty, said Lindsay Greer, a graduate student from Clare, Mich., studying mass communication and media arts.

Because it's the 30th anniversary year, this year's festival also features a retrospective event, which will showcase some of the competition winners from previous years.

The Big Muddy Film Festival is not only entertaining; it's also educational.

"A lot of what we're showing are documentaries, so it's a way to become educated on different issues that are occurring in the world, and different perspectives," Greer said.

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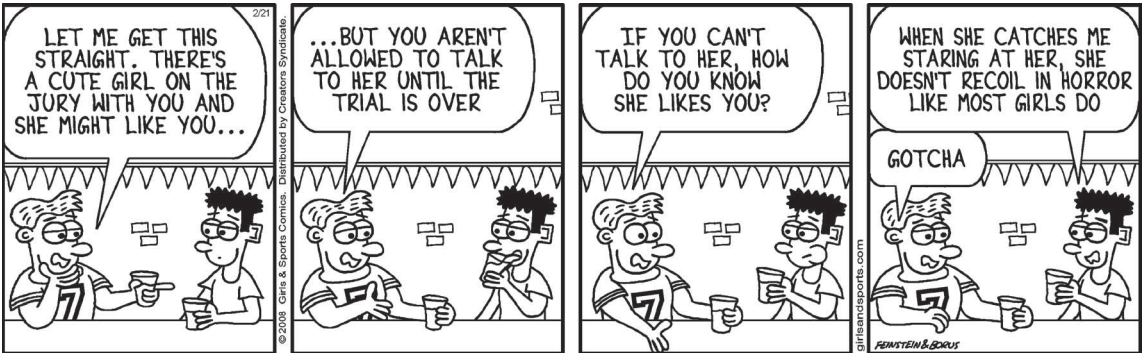
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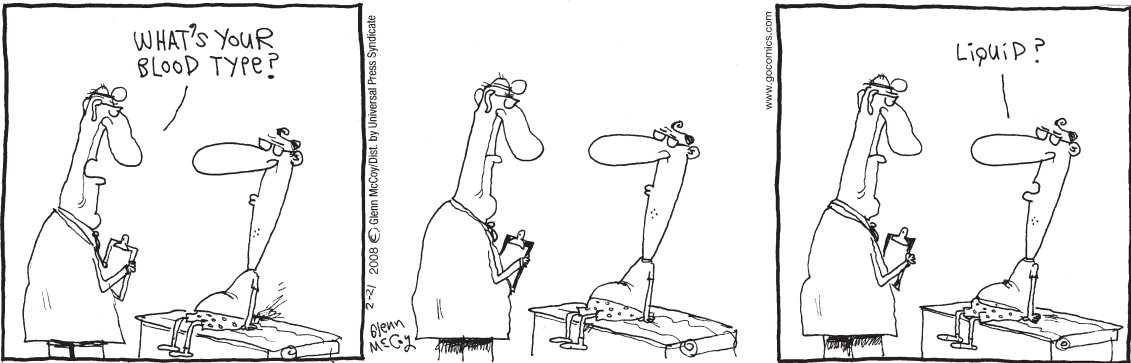
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6 Abraham's son
11 AARP group
14 Noble title
15 "Jurassic Park" star Sam
16 Tiger's peg
17 Start of quip
20 Part 2 of quip
21 Morse unit
22 Weapons stockpile
25 Rainy day racetrack favorites
29 Considered
30 Anderson of "WKRP..."
31 Bodybuilder Ferrigno
32 Finished
33 Short skirts
34 Charged particle
35 Part 3 of quip
39 Suitable
41 Third rock
42 Burn a bit
45 Zodiac cat
46 Takes a chair
47 Grapevine transmission
49 Swaps
51 Gigantic statues

DOWN

1 Slugger's stat indicator
2 Occupation
3 April 15 addressee
4 Aristocrats
5 Certain tie score
6 Chip maker
7 Ranked player
8 Expose to public scrutiny
9 PC key
10 Klutzy
11 Grandeur

By Alan P. Olschwang 2/21/08

12 Gun it in neutral
13 Get it?
18 Boob tube spot
19 Covered up
22 Put two and two together
23 Old Olds' auto
24 Office of a legislator
25 May or June
26 One condo
27 Kanga's kid
28 Daystar
30 Itemized accounts
33 Sahl and Drucker
36 Warrants
37 Cougar's den
38 Miscellaneous

39 Clerical vestment
40 Veggie sphere
43 Some sloths
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47 Political syst.
48 Soap ingredient
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Level: 1 2 3 4

Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, visit www.sudoku.org.uk.

Solution to Wednesday's puzzle

8	3	9	6	7	4	2	5	1
4	2	7	3	5	1	9	6	8
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7	9	8	4	6	2	5	1	3
2	4	3	1	9	5	6	8	7
1	5	6	7	3	8	4	9	2
3	1	2	5	4	6	8	7	9
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6	7	4	9	8	3	1	2	5

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By Linda C. Black

Today's Birthday — Compromise is a skill you'll get to acquire this year. There will be disagreements almost every step of the way. Get used to it, and adapt. Your results will be better. To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

Aries (March 21-April 19) — Today is a 6 — The work has been piling up, and there's no way to get around it. Start with a plan, so you can do the most important tasks first. Devise a schedule and stick to it.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) — Today is an 8 — You're very attractive now, and very popular, too. This can cause a few problems. Don't think you have to accept every invitation. Exercise discretion.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) — Today is a 6 — You can't always have your own way, so don't throw a hissy fit. Do what's best for the whole family, even if it's not much fun. You'll be appreciated.

Cancer (June 22-July 22) — Today is an 8 — Finishing an old task may require learning a few new skills. Give yourself time to practice before you attempt the fix. You don't want to break anything.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) — Today is a 6 — There are a few things you need to buy, but you can't quite afford them, yet. What to do? Take on an extra job. That's better than going into debt.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Today is an 8 — You're gaining confidence, and with good reason. You've been doing the work and doing it well. Be gentle with a critic who doesn't know the whole story.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) — Today is a 6 — Be very careful traveling; expect delays and hassles. Watch out for accidents in your workplace, too. Proceed with caution.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) — Today is an 8 — You have so many invitations you hardly know which to accept. Take care not to double-book. That could cost you dearly. Remember, family comes first.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — Today is a 6 — Things are getting a little complicated. You're being asked to comply with rules and regulations that seem unnecessary. Do them anyway, to win the reward.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Today is an 8 — Not a good time to travel. Haste makes waste, too. Make your life easier by postponing an outing, and a purchasing decision.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) — Today is a 6 — Financial matters deserve your attention. You may feel wealthy, but you won't be if you don't plan ahead. Start by paying off all your debts.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) — Today is an 8 — It's going to be difficult to get all sides to agree. Instead of seeking consensus, be a good listener. Let them talk and reserve your decision

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GIBSON
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Paris Campbell.

Swingler was thrust into a starting role since the injury took place and has started 10 games this season while averaging 3.9 points per game.

Senior forward Cortney Sales has also taken on a larger role, picking up 11 starts this year.

Sales said Gibson brings excitement to the team during practice and said Gibson's role on the bench may have helped her.

"I think she liked that point of view and it helped her because now she's back and has more stuff to say about different things, so she kind of helped me with that, too," Sales said.

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BRANDON CHAPPLE ~ DAILY EGYPTIAN

Junior forward Jasmine Gibson bats the ball away from a gray team member during practice Wednesday morning in the SIU Arena. Gibson, who has been out since late January with an injury, will return to the court this weekend.


SHAW
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Shaw finished the first half at a perfect 5-for-5 to lead the team with 12 points. He finished with a game-high 23 points.

Shaw said he saw the opportunity to get low and got in a rhythm, which helped him finish at the rim.

"It was just one of those nights where everybody felt that any shot they took was going to go in," Shaw said. "That's how we have to start playing all the time, just playing with confidence and knowing that when you get an open look you're going to make it."

But when halftime was over, Shaw went back to hitting bombs. Shaw started the half for the Salukis by hitting an open 3-pointer, which was followed by a Wesley Clemmons' 3-pointer.



STEPHEN RICKERL ~ DAILY EGYPTIAN

SIU senior guard Tyrone Green wrestles a loose ball away from Northern Iowa's Adam Viet during Wednesday's game at the SIU Arena. The Salukis defeated Northern Iowa 67-47.

Shaw was so automatic from the field that the Panthers (15-12, 7-9) collapsed on him with a triple team in the post. When that happened he passed it out to Clemmons who passed it right back to set up Shaw for another three. The shot brought the crowd to its feet and led to a 41-29 lead.

While Shaw's performance was the main reason for the Salukis' victory, it was passes like Clemmons' that led to the efficient shooting.

Often it was Mullins who found Shaw after driving to the lane or passing around and over defenders when he set up in the post.

Northern Iowa coach Ben Jacobson said Mullins hurt the Panthers as much as Shaw.

"When (Shaw) is making threes and Mullins is that aggressive and

looking for his 3-point shot that much, they are a hard team to guard," he said. "It's no secret that Falker can't be guarded one-on-one, so if those guys are making threes they are hard to guard."

As if going 8-for-9 from the field wasn't impressive enough, Shaw was able to do it against one of the premiere big men in the league as he got the better of Eric Coleman.

Coleman, who has more than 100 career blocks, was unable to register a denial in the game despite the double teams often brought to stop Randal Falker and Shaw in the post.

Lowery said Shaw played with a lot of toughness and if he plays like that consistently, the team will be hard to beat.

"We needed that game out of

Matt for more reasons than one," Lowery said. "He needs to know we want to go to him in certain situations. When Randal is in foul trouble, Matt went inside and we got two buckets back to back for him."

The rest of the team followed Shaw's lead and punished the Panthers from distance. The team finished 12-for-20 from behind the arc and spread it out as Mullins, Carlton Fay, Josh Bone, Tyrone Green and Clemmons all registered a long ball.

The Salukis will look to keep their three-game winning streak alive when they host Nevada at 3:30 p.m. Saturday for an ESPN BracketBuster game.

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With the NBA trade deadline looming at 3 p.m. EST, which trade do you think should happen?

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“I’d like to see the Bucks get rid of Bobby Simmons and get a guy like the Chicago Bulls’ Andres Nocioni or the Cleveland Cavaliers’ Anderson Varejao, because they need someone with defensive intensity if they want to make a run.”

“J.J. Redick has seen at best a minimal amount of time with the Orlando Magic after being one of the nation’s premier college players two years ago. Redick has the potential if given a chance somewhere. He just needs to work on his defense to become a top guard in the NBA.”

MEGAN KRAMPER

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“I think the Bulls should package Ben Gordon and Ben Wallace for Vince Carter. Gordon is nice off the bench, but the Bulls would be better if they were bigger in the backcourt, and Wallace hasn’t played like a four-time Defensive Player of the Year should. At least the trade would make the Bulls more entertaining to watch.”

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STAT OF THE DAY

Women’s Basketball



SIU freshman guard Ellen Young is on a scoring spree. The freshman is averaging 16.7 points per game in her last three games, shooting 10-for-21 from behind the 3-point line in that span.

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SPORT BRIEFS

White Sox hope bullpen is Dotel’s save

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) — Chicago brought in reliever Octavio Dotel not to close games, but to save the White Sox bullpen. The right-handed reliever who ranks fifth in strikeout ratio per nine innings for relievers since 1957 will be a welcomed sight for a bullpen that was 19-25 with a 5.49 ERA and had 23 blown saves last year.

“A lot of games are going to be decided by the bullpen. Last year you look at our record out of the bullpen, it was amazing how many runners scored in the seventh, eighth innings,” Chicago manager Ozzie Guillen said Wednesday.

The White Sox were fine with Bobby Jenks closing matters in most ninth innings, but getting the ball to him often took awhile, or came after a lot of runs were given up.

Dotel has the stuff to be a closer — combining a curve ball and slider with a mid-90s fastball — and he might have been able to be one again. He considered roles with Cleveland, San Francisco, the New York Yankees, Baltimore and Pittsburgh following the 2007 season.

But the ninth-year veteran acquired by the White Sox last month preferred being Jenks’ set-up guy instead.

“The way I see it, I don’t see they had a lot of chances to be in the playoffs,” Dotel said about closing with some teams. “Seeing that I was like, I don’t know how many years I have left in me so I wanted to be on a team that has a chance to be in the playoffs and the World Series. I want to be in the playoffs. I want to be in the competition.”

Saluki football schedule announced

SIU football head coach Dale Lennon announced the 2008 football schedule Tuesday.

The Salukis open the season Sept. 6 against Hampton University before traveling to Northwestern Sept. 13 as they try to become the first Gateway Conference team to defeat a Football Bowl Subdivision opponent three consecutive seasons.

The 2008 schedule includes six home

games, including a Nov. 1 match-up against North Dakota, Lennon’s former team.

“The emotions leading up to this game will be unique, but once the whistle blows, it will be business as usual,” Lennon said. “I do know, however, that without exception, every UND player, alumni and fan will have November 1 circled on their calendar.”

The regular season comes to a close Nov. 22 with a road game against Illinois State.

Football schedule			
Saturday, Sept. 6	vs. Hampton	Carbondale	6:00 p.m.
Saturday, Sept. 13	at Northwestern	Evanston	TBA
Saturday, Sept. 27	vs. Northern Iowa (Family Weekend)	Carbondale	6:00 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 4	at North Dakota State	Fargo, N.D.	1:00 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 11	vs. Indiana State (Homecoming)	Carbondale	1:30 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 18	at Youngstown State	Youngstown, Ohio	4:00 p.m. ET
Saturday, Oct. 25	at Missouri State	Springfield, Mo.	1:30 p.m.
Saturday, Nov. 1	vs. North Dakota	Carbondale	2:00 p.m.
Saturday, Nov. 8	vs. Western Illinois (Band Day)	Carbondale	2:00 p.m.
Saturday, Nov. 15	vs. South Dakota State	Carbondale	2:00 p.m.
Saturday, Nov. 22	at Illinois State	Normal	1:30p.m.

Saluki baseball tournament moved due to weather

Because of the threat of inclement weather, the SIU baseball team moved its season opening series on Feb. 22 against Western Michigan to First Tennessee Fields in Cordova, Tenn.


“We want to give our guys the best opportunity to play,” head coach Dan Callahan said. “The conditions of our field are not up to standard at

this time.”

The Salukis were scheduled to face the Broncos in a three-game series beginning Feb. 22 at Abe Martin Field.

The next scheduled home game for SIU is Feb. 29 against Northern Illinois, but the tentative suspension of Huskie athletics could postpone the series.

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MEN'S BASKETBALL: SIU DEFEATS NORTHERN IOWA, 67-47

Salukis get revenge



SIU senior forward Matt Shaw shoots the ball over Northern Iowa defenders
Wednesday night at the SIU Arena. Shaw scored 23 points in the Salukis' 67-47 victory over Northern Iowa.
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Salukis avenge another road loss, stay perfect at home in MVC play

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With the memory of a heart-breaking 68-63 loss less than a month ago still lingering, the Salukis looked like a different team in different surroundings Wednesday.

SIU stayed perfect at home in conference games this season with a 67-47 revenge victory over the Northern Iowa Panthers.

The Salukis were impressive from the floor, going 54.8 percent from the field and were 12-for-20 from the 3-point arc.

Senior forward Matt Shaw, who led the team with 23 points, said 3-point shooting was a key component in the role reversal for the two teams.

"It was just one of those nights where I think everybody felt that any shot they took was going to go in, and that's how we have to start playing all the time," Shaw said.

This was a different scenario for the Salukis as in the two team's previous meeting on Feb. 2 when the team let the Panthers shoot 40 free throws.

This time the Panthers only got to the line three times, making all of their attempts.

Shaw said being smart defensively helped the Salukis keep from committing unnecessary fouls like those committed in the previous meeting.

Every time Shaw touched the ball

Wednesday night, it turned into gold for the SIU men's basketball team.

Shaw went 8-for-9 from the floor with 23 points and nine rebounds including four 3-pointers to lead the Salukis (15-12, 10-6 MVC) to their third straight win.

Shaw said he has had trouble hitting open looks from the floor throughout the season but tonight was confident in his ability to knock shots down.

Being at home, Shaw said, also gives the team a level of confidence and brings more energy and enthusiasm out of the team.

Junior guard Bryan Mullins added 13 points and seven assists for the Salukis while senior guard Tyrone Green chipped in nine points.

Northern Iowa (15-12, 7-9) was led by freshman guard Kerwin Dunham who scored 13 points for the Panthers.

Senior guard Adam Viet added 11 points while freshman forward Lucas O' Rear added eight for the Panthers, who dropped their last four out of five.

Northern Iowa coach Ben Jacobsen said Shaw and Mullins created problems for the Panthers but struggled because they couldn't hit key shots in the stretch.

The Salukis will be back in action Saturday as part of ESPN's O'Reilly BracketBuster as they host Nevada at 3:30 p.m. The game will be broadcast on ESPNU.



Junior guard Wesley Clemmons takes a shot
Wednesday against Northern Iowa. The Salukis defeated Northern Iowa 67-47.
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Shaw shoots SIU to victory

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Matt Shaw missed a shot. Unfortunately for the visiting Northern Iowa Panthers, that is all he missed.

The senior forward brought his full arsenal of offensive weapons as he beat Northern Iowa from the outside with 3-pointers and the inside with polished post moves. His effectiveness led to a Saluki 67-47 victory over the Panthers.

After the game started with a circus layup from Bryan Mullins,

the Panther defense tightened the inside coverage and forced the Salukis (15-12, 10-6 MVC) to settle for outside jumpers. Shaw obliged and hit two consecutive 3-pointers to build a lead and force a Northern Iowa timeout.

After the timeout Shaw seemed to have enough of the outside as he went to the paint to establish himself. Shaw hit three layups in the first half going to his right hand, left hand and both hands without hesitation.

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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Back in the nick of time

Gibson returns to action after being out since Jan. 5

Matt Hartwig
DAILY EGYPTIAN

The one-time leading scorer in the Missouri Valley Conference has been cleared for practice after being relegated to a coach's role for the past month and a half.

Jasmine Gibson, a junior forward from Kansas City, Mo., will rejoin the rotation for Friday's 7:05 p.m. tilt with Evansville at the SIU Arena.

Her return could not come at a better time for the SIU women's basketball team.

The Salukis (8-15, 4-9 MVC) have lost six of their last seven games and have won only three without their main inside presence. They trail Northern Iowa by two games to avoid playing in the opening round of the MVC Tournament March 13 in St. Charles, Mo.

Just don't expect Gibson to light up the stat box her first time back.

Gibson said people will notice she has been sitting out and added that she does not quite have her full range of motion back.

But even the least bit of help in a limited role should give SIU a better inside game.

The eighth place Salukis have dropped to sixth in the MVC in scoring, averaging 67.1 points per game.

Gibson was averaging a team-high 17.1 points per game before injuring her leg and her 52.2 field goal percentage also led SIU.

Aside from the initial pain of the injury, Gibson tried to make the situation a positive experience.

"I assumed my position and my role that I had on the sideline," Gibson said. "It was very good for me actually because I was able to see things the coaches were talking about."

Gibson actually looked like a coach, sitting next to her coaching staff shouting out encouragement from the sidelines during games and talking strategy with her teammates during practice.

Now she has the opportunity to apply some of the things she observed from the bench and try to give the Salukis enough push to make their presence felt at the conference tournament.

Coach Dana Eikenberg said the time Gibson spent on the bench observing helped her understand the game more.

"Jazz is pretty humble," Eikenberg said. "What it did was give her another viewpoint."

That viewpoint gave Gibson an opportunity to see what things have worked and what hasn't with the 2007-08 squad. More importantly, it has given her an opportunity to work with some of the other post players.

She has been able to spend extra time working with freshmen post players Katrina Swingler and

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